

CITY COUNCIL

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Will Go to Manila.
Deal of Vandana, who was
the local recruiting office
in the Philippines, will
return morning for San Fran-
cisco that place will go to

Selling Dog Tax.

Mont Penwell is busy
taxes. So far nearly 50
have been sold at \$1 each. Major
in the office and will re-
turn a few days to assist Mr.
until he gets onto the ropes.

Go to Business.

Summerman will open a
establishment in his build-
North Main street. He ex-
ready for business by June
understood that Will Shor-
an interest in the Field
establishment, from which
Wilson recently withdrew.

Museum Committee.

The committee is not dead
have supposed. In fact, it is
sleeping. A number of
have been to "hunger" it in
it will have something
public soon. A meeting
this week and the latest
will then be made

All Move to Decatur.

Dalton of Dalton City will
Decatur to make his home
side on North Church street
daughter, Mrs. Ellen Frey-
Mr. Dalton is the person
Dalton City was named.
of the old residents of the
is the owner of several
acres of land.

ingrain carpet 45c per yard
—1-29-dtf

Room Corn Prices.

Best single shipment of broom
made from Charleston, a
of over 200 tons, was sent
New York city Monday.
a portion of last year's crop,
held in storage for an in-
firm, who, finding the
rent from manufacturers and
"fancy" one, let go of the
stuff. Buyers have been
the past week, but the
brokers, who yet hold over-
could not be induced to let
to one manufacturing firm
00 tons and offered a top
it. The holders of broom
a dozen men) in the Illinois
it, will meet in Tuscola on
with brokers, dealers and
rers from throughout the
It is expected that the price
it up to \$200 per ton. Mean-
farmers of Coles county are
a large acreage for the
of broom corn, and the price
will probably drop back to

E MILLIKIN HOME.

ron, Mrs. Theobald, is now
Charge of the Place.

members of the board of
of the Anna B. Millikin
ld a meeting this forenoon.
matron, Mrs. Theobald, who
be in charge of the place,
uffed. The former matron,
off, has resigned and the new
has taken charge.

are now six children and five
at the home besides two
s, one aged two months and
two weeks. The managers
would like to secure a
with a good family for each
of children. Wednesday of
is visitors' day and the
invited to visit and inspect
on the days set apart.

insurance gasoline stove can't
can't get up, can't get out
—1-29-dtf

ATE OF LIFE INSURANCE

ternal Army of America and

What It Offers.

Reese of Taylorville, one of
of the of the Fraternal Army
a, a popular fraternal bene-
y, is in the city in the inter-
the organization and can be
the office of Dr. Blythe. He
e pleases in explaining the
insurance. The society is
growing in membership, ba-
rate is low and payments of
re always made in full. It is
assessment society. The so-
ciety is back of all risks and
interest is most carefully pro-
There is a lodge in Decatur
national directors, Joseph Mil-
national treasurer, and Dr. J. M.
the dentist, reside in this
two years hence the supreme
meeting will be held in Deca-
can possibly an effort will be
to establish the home offices
Mr. Reese will remain in De-
until the last of the week.

regular meeting of Decatur
No. 65, I. O. O. F., will be
evening. Work in the second

PLAYING FOR TIME

Philippine Envoys Now Want a
Truce for Three Months.

WILL NOT GET IT

Gen. Otis Still Demands
Unconditional Surrender

NERVE OF MAJOR ARGUELESE

In a Declaration About the Responsi-
bility of United States in Rela-
tion to Spanish Prisoners —
Message from Admiral Dewey
About Gilmore's Men.

RAIN IN THE WEST

It was General in Illinois, Kansas,
Nebraska and Missouri.

KANSAS CITY, MO., May 3.—A
heavy rain was general over this part
of the state last night and it is be-
lieved it will greatly benefit the crops.
At Kingman, Kan., the rain amounted
almost to a waterspout.

OMAHA, NEB., May 3.—A heavy
rain visited all parts of the state. The
soil is now in excellent condition.
Small grain is all in and the prospects
are fine for the spring sown. Winter
wheat and rye are badly damaged, but
much supposed to have been killed is
coming out and will make part of a
crop. Plowing for corn is well under
way; some is planted. The season is
backward.

CHICAGO, May 3.—The heaviest
rain of the season visited Illinois last
night, bringing relief to the winter
wheat. The precipitation was over
one-half inch, with indications of
heavy showers today. Corn planting
will also be advanced as the ground
had become so dry that plowing was
being delayed.

Did Not Fool Otis.

MANILA, May 3, 6 P. M.—The
Filipino envoys have abandoned the
pretense that they represent General
Luna. Today they announced that
they came as representatives of Aguinaldo
and used all their wits to secure a reply from General
Otis to the letter from Manila, Aguinal-
do's name mentioned, presented yester-
day, but General Otis refused to
reply on the ground that doing so
would be equivalent to a recognition
of the Philippine government.

The envoys admitted that Aguinaldo
knew he would be overpowered in
this, but would be able to continue
the fight for months and would do so
unless given what they termed peace
with dignity.

President Schurman of the Philip-
pine commission thinks the confer-
ence here with Aguinaldo's envoys have
had a good effect, as tending to con-
vince him that the Americans mean
to give them a good government, not
of the Spanish sort.

Wounded.

WASHINGTON, May 3.—General
Orr reported on April 20 Brigadier
General Irving, U. S. A., was wounded in
the leg.

DEWEY'S MESSAGE.

WASHINGTON, May 3.—The fol-
lowing has been received from Ad-
miral Dewey: "The following are the
Yorktown's crews at the insurgent
headquarters at San Pedro: Lieuten-
ant Gilmore, Chief Quartermaster
William W. Sullivan, Mate
Paul Van der Corwin John Ellis-
worth. After three third class, Albert
Peterson, Lieutenant Sylvio Briscoles,
Paul Edwards, Fred Anderson. Pro-
visions were sent them by General
Otis. Continuing inquiries as to fate
of others."

VOLUNTEERS NOT NEEDED.

WASHINGTON, May 3.—The move-
ments in the Philippines are not re-
garded by the government as neces-
sarily implying more battles. A
member of the cabinet said:
"The troops are being placed in

BASE BALL.

MAY 2.

Pittsburg 4, St. Louis 3 (10 innings).
Louisville 3-5, Cleveland 2-9.
Brooklyn 7, Washington 0.
Boston 9, Baltimore 2.
New York 4, Philadelphia 3.

SUICIDE OF CHARLES BIVINS

Shot Himself Through the Head with a Revolver Today
at His Home Near Warrensburg.

Body Found by the Horror-Stricken Wife--No Cause
Known for the Act--Coroner Bendure
Called to the Scene.

Charles Bivins, a well known
farmer, living five miles northeast of
Warrensburg, and a son of Dr. John
Bivins of this city, committed suicide
this morning by shooting himself
through the head. The cause of the
suicide is unknown as Mr. Bivins was
a prosperous farmer and was highly
respected in the community in which
he lived.

Yesterday Mr. Bivins visited Deca-
tur and returned to Warrensburg in
the afternoon. He talked with some
of his friends and paid up his dues in
fall in the Odd Fellows lodge, and
left for his farm, which is the Weaver
place and which Mr. Bivins has
rented for several years past.

This morning at ten minutes after 8
o'clock the members of the family
were startled by hearing two reports,
the sound coming from the front of
the house. Curtis Cowgill, the hired
man, followed by Mrs. Bivins, rushed
out of the house and on the front
porch found the body of Mr. Bivins.
He had shot himself with a 35 calibre
revolver and the bullet had passed
entirely through his head, entering at
the right temple and coming out at
the left temple. Mr. Bivins lived for
a few moments but was not conscious
and bled to death from his wounds.

Dr. W. L. Melton, who had been sum-
moned from Warrensburg, arrived and
on examining the body found that one
bullet had not taken effect. The fam-
ily heard two shots and the second
one has not been accounted for.

The shooting was not witnessed by
any of the people about the farm but
it was reported at Warrensburg that a
fish peddler claimed to have seen the
man shoot himself. The peddler,
however, has gone his way and it was
said this afternoon that he could not
be found. Coroner Bendure was noti-
fied of the suicide and Deputy Coroner
Roy Bendure left at noon for the
place.

Charles Bivins was about 40 years
old. He was spoken of as having
been an exceptionally reliable man and
was held in respect by those who knew
him. He was considered to be a pros-
perous farmer. He was a member of
Dove Lodge, No. 600, I. O. O. F.,
of Warrensburg and also belonged to
the Modern Woodmen, in which or-
ganization he carried an insurance of
\$3000 and the Royal Circle, in which
he had an insurance of \$2000. The
cause of the suicide is a mystery to
everybody. The revolver, it was
thought, was purchased by Mr. Bivins
when he was in Decatur yesterday.

PEACE MONEY

How the \$20,000,000 Will be
Turned Over to Spain.

Cost of the Exchange Will
be \$50,000.

WASHINGTON, May 3.—Acting on
cable instructions from the governor
of the Bank of Spain at Madrid, the
French ambassador, M. Cambon, has
completed arrangements for trans-
ferring to Spain the \$20,000,000 re-
ceived from the United States.

The first treasury warrant for \$5-
000,000 will be delivered to the Na-
tional City Bank of New York on
Thursday, and the next two warrants,
for \$10,000,000, on the following Wed-
nesday. The Spanish authorities have
made no arrangements for receiving
the last warrant for \$5,000,000.

On receiving the warrants it is ex-
pected the bank will utilize the gold
balance now on the other side so that
little or no actual shipment of gold
bullion or coin will be made. This
will materially reduce the cost of ex-
change, which will not exceed \$50,000.

MUDDLE AT TAYLORVILLE.

TAYLORVILLE, ILL., May 3.—
This city is enjoying the distinction
of having a dual city government.
Mayor Peabody, Republican, removed
all the city appointees Monday night
and appointed an entire new set. The
appointees were not confirmed by the
new council, which is Democratic.
Tuesday the old police force and the
new were both on duty. At the water
works the old engineers refused to
give way to the new appointees, warn-
ing them off the premises. All at-
tempts to compromise have so far been
unsuccessful.

STRANGE TRAGEDY.

STOCKTON, CAL., May 3.—A
peculiar tragedy came to light here
when the bodies of Mrs. William
Hickman and Mrs. H. A. Hassall
were found in a room of a lodging
house, a bullet having ended the life
of each. Mrs. Hassall had been
morbidly infatuated with Mrs. Hick-
man for some months. Last night
Mrs. Hassall told Mrs. Hickman that
she was going to start for London to-
day, and begged Mrs. Hickman to

spend the night with her. Mrs. Hick-
man consented, and her relatives,
growing alarmed at her non-appear-
ance today, visited the lodging house
and discovered the bodies. Mrs.
Hassall killed Mrs. Hickman and then
herself. Mrs. Hassall came from Eng-
land, and called herself the duchess,
claiming her husband was a duke.
Medical men are of the opinion that
Mrs. Hassall was insane.

WILL FIGHT AT DENVER.

DENVER, COLO., May 3.—The
manager of the Colorado Athletic as-
sociation says the Fitzsimmons-
Jeffries fight will take place at Den-
ver. He has offered a purse of \$25-
000. This morning he received a dis-
patch from the principals requesting
him to go to New York to arrange the
details.

ON TRIAL FOR MURDER.

HUTCHINSON, KAN., May 3.—The
trial of John Moore, charged with
murdering his five children in March,
has begun. The throats of the chil-
dren were cut, their skulls crushed
and the house fired to conceal the
crime. The defense will be epileptic
insanity.

DEATH PENALTY

May be Given a Wretch
at Carlinville.

CARLINVILLE, ILL., May 3.—
Citizens are greatly wrought up over
an attempt last night to criminally
assault Eunice, the six year old
daughter of Dan Macknel, a prominent
lumberman. Jack Sharp, a black-
smith of Palmyra, who was arrested,
has been identified by the child.

ITALIAN POLITICS.

ROME, May 3.—The ministry has
resigned. The resignation of the min-
istry is the result of severe criticisms
on its foreign policy, particularly in
China.

BURNS FELL DOWN

And Could Not Get Up Again and It
was No Wonder--Taken to
County Jail.

George Burns, an old soldier, was
brought by the police in the patrol
wagon to the county jail this after-
noon. He had been drinking and had
fallen down between the Tait factory
and the railroad and was unable to
get up. That he could not get on his
feet again is little wonder for a man

FUNSTON

IN KANSAS

Nothing Too Rich or Good for
the Brave General.

MAY GO TO SENATE

From the Sunflower State
as Just Reward.

HOME TOWN WILD WITH JOY

Over the Brilliant Achievements of
the Intrepid Young Man Who Has
Brought Fame to Himself, His
State and the Nation—
May Come Home.

IOLA, KAN., May 3.—(Special to
Chicago Tribune.)—Kansans are happy
over the promotion of Colonel Fred
Funston to a brigadier generalship
and declare there is nothing in Kansas
he may want and cannot have. At
the same time an indication of what
he may get is on the tongues of his
fellow-townsmen of Iola. It is noth-
ing less than a seat in the United
States Senate. This they say, is as
easily within his reach as the position
of town marshal of Iola.

Ex-Congressman "Fog-Horn" Fun-
ston, father of Brigadier General Fred
Funston, told the correspondent of
The Tribune that his son should ask
for no office of less dignity than that
of a member of the United States
Senate.

"I am for Fred for the place, too,"
he said. "I do not think he will go
into politics, but if he does it will be
as a candidate for the Senate. Kansas
has no senators now. The offices are
vacant so far as ability goes. If Fred
is going to ask for anything, let him
ask for something worth having."

While flags were floating from every
flag staff in the town in honor of the
new brigadier, who won his star as a
fighter, and everybody in the streets
was congratulating Kansas in having
a hero of such proportions, they were
talking of what he would do in a
political way when he got back to this
state, where politics is played by ex-
ports.

Iola is the home town of General
Funston and here the feeling of pride
in this son of Kansas runs at flood
height. As soon as the news reached
here bulletins were posted on the four
corners of the public square and in
front of the offices of the local papers.

Crowds gathered about them as
soon as they were stuck up, and since
then the people here have been talk-
ing of little else. They have been
basking themselves recalling the hun-
dreds of things in the life of the mid-
westerner youth that are taken now as
evidences of his greatness and sign
boards along the road to greatness.

The home of the Funstons is four
miles north of Iola on a farm.

It is predicted that if Lieut. Col. E.
C. Little gets to be colonel he will be
a dare devil leader, and more great
things are looked for from the regi-
ment that was hooted at when it left
its own state. It was a shabby outfit
then, without discipline or uniforms
or military knowledge.

When that regiment returns to Kan-
sas every fatted calf had better take to
the woods.

GRAIN AFLOAT.

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 3.—No
improvement in the labor situation
this morning. Over 6,000,000 bushels
of grain are now afloat in the harbor.

Governor Roosevelt has been elected
an honorary member of 27 New York
clubs and societies.

No profit grows where there is no
pleasure taken; in brief, sir, study
what you most affect.—Shakespeare.

—William Hamaker, who has been
seriously ill for several months, is
thought to be in a critical condition
today.

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PERSONAL

—Mrs. Will Barnes is a guest of Chicago relatives.

—Miss Rose Hutchinson of Warrensburg was the guest of Decatur friends.

—Mrs. W. R. Scruggs is confined to her home on Prairie avenue by illness.

—Mrs. E. J. Williams of Riverside is ill.

—Mrs. J. M. Lee and children are guests of friends at Detroit, Mich.

—Mrs. Oscar Spalding of Davenport, Iowa, is the guest of Decatur relatives.

—Dr. H. C. Jones made a professional visit at Dalton City last night.

—Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Shalabarger have returned from West Baden, Ind.

—John T. Eberhart of Chicago is in the city.

The literary class of the First Presbyterian church studied Whitier's "Barefoot Boy" today.

—Miss Florence Armstrong is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Lyle Funk, at Bloomington.

—Miss Zella Ewing has returned to Godfrey to resume her studies at the Mountfield seminary.

—Ex-Sheriff Jerry Nicholson, who has been confined to his home by illness, was able to be out today.

—Mrs. B. O. Applegate has gone to St. Louis for a visit of two weeks with her mother.

—George Nafel of Crowley, La., is the guest of Decatur friends. Later he will visit at Macon, spending about one month in all in the north.

—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur S. Dumont arrived home last evening. For the present they will reside at 800 West William street.

—Mrs. Elizabeth K. Bunn went to Bloomington this morning.

—O. E. Billy left today for St. Paul, Minn.

—C. C. Merrill, southern passenger agent for the New York Central railroad, was here today from Chicago on business.

—William J. Soliworth, western passenger agent for the Michigan Central, was in the city today on business.

—Mrs. Minnie P. Hostetler, daughter Ruth and mother, Mrs. Parker, will return on Thursday evening from a stay of several months at Deming, New Mexico.

Insurance Gasoline stores sole agents, Scovill Co.—4-29-dcf

MARKETS.

FURNISHED BY B. Z. TAYLOR, Chicago, May 3.

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When He Recognized the Judge as
a Victim His Lawyer
Gave Up.



**The Amazing Assertion Is Made That
Gaelic Is Unfit to Be
Taught.**

**Some of the Odd Devices Employed by
Parisians to Defraud the
Customs.**

self-made man.

Wife of the Transvaal Commander
a Good Fighter.

Chief Justice Fuller's pet parrot "Bonito," the gift of a Mexican minister, calls its owner "pa-pa" greatly to Mr. Fuller's delight.

**A Young Woman Who Got a Position
While the Other Girl Is Still
Unemployed.**

THE NEW "GOSPEL SCOUT."

When Weak, Weary and Was
from Kidney Diseases, why not try
ley's Kidney Cure, a guaranteed
cure. 50c and \$1.00 a bottle. E.
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A full-length illustration of a man in a dark, textured suit, standing with his left hand on his hip and holding a hat in his right hand. The man has dark hair and is looking slightly to his right. The suit is a three-piece ensemble, including a jacket, a vest, and trousers. The jacket has a high collar and a single-breasted design. The trousers are straight and well-tailored. The man is holding a dark, rounded hat in his right hand. The background is plain white.

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At New City, Kansas, Dec. 21, '91.
Last Friday, Dec. 19, my attending physician called to tell me I was better by morning than I had been for anything for my relief. That night I took a box of Dr. J. C. Phelps' "Four-O'Clock" Remedy, and after a few better medicines. The first dose of the medicine made me much more comfortable. I was much more comfortable and rested well, a few more doses, and all soreness from my lungs was relieved. I was up, the child was up, and I was able to go to the city and today was up town purchasing my day goods.

MISS JENNIE BARNETT,
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FIFTY-EIGHT



Testing Fee.

**Eye
Strain
Illness.**

Only those who have been relieved by the use of glasses understand what beating the condition of the eyes have on their general health. After suffering the tortures of headaches, nervous depression, watering, muscular strain, etc., the comfort and ease given by a pair of perfect fitting glasses is pronounced.

Let us help you.

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23 NORTH WATER STREET

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Novelties For Spring.

SASH AND STOCK CLASPS In Large Variety.

As the Styles and Patterns are being produced in many ways we do not undertake to illustrate them. We are receiving New Styles almost every day in Imported French Designs. We have a fine assortment in Fancy Enamels, enameled with Jewels, Cut Steel Ornaments, Open Work in Gun Metal Color, Gilt and Silver Finish, as well as the very popular French Gray, varying in price from 50c to \$8.00 each—all made strong for good service as well as style.

Inspect our line, which is by far the Largest and Closest Priced in the city.

FRANK CURTIS,

Successor to OTTO E. CURTIS & BRO.,

Jewelers and Dealers in Fine China.

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But to get it is another matter. If one can't get it he can get it as near as possible.

The best way to start is to save money by purchasing your shoes of
FRANK H. COLE SHOE CO.

Great Spring Slaughter Sale Continues.

- 5-11 Men's Russian Colt lace shoes, welt soles, \$3 grade, \$2.50
15-9 Men's Veal Congress and lace shoes, plain toes made for service and give it extra value, \$2.50 grade, \$1.60
L-50 Men's Oil Grain Work Shoes, solid as a rock—\$1.50 grade \$1.04

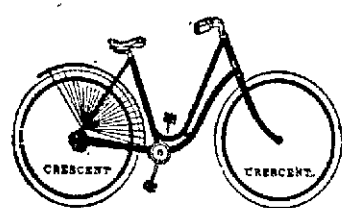
Exceptional offers in Women's, Misses' and Children's Shoes.

See Windows for New Spring Styles and Prices.

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148 EAST MAIN STREET.

CRESCENT



This is the Lady Crescent which is selling so well this year on account of the universal satisfaction it has given our customers for the past ten years.

The handsomest wheel on the market.
Please call and see it.

Decatur Gun Co.

Insect Powder, Moth Balls, Gum Camphor, FOR HOUSE CLEANING.

WEST'S DRUG STORE.

LINCOLN
SQUARE.

LOCAL NEWS.

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22-dtf

Smoke the Little J. Guaranteed to contain no artificial flavor.—1-dtf

Fine candles at Glessner's, 148 East Prairie.

Fresh Kentucky blue grass and white clover. New stock of flower and garden seed. Nasturtium and sweet peas in bulk. First door south of opera house. Hughes & Funk.—11-dtf

W. H. Spence, painting, paper hanging, kalsomining, etc. New phone, oco 637, residence 615.—5-dtf

The place to get a bargain in Chickering or Packard pianos and smaller instruments is at the C. B. Prescott music house. See the display of handsome instruments.

In all stages of Nasal Catarrh there should be cleanliness. As experience proves Ely's Cream Balm is a cleanser, soothes and heals the diseased membrane. Is not drying nor irritating, and does not produce sneezing. To test it a trial size is mailed for 10 cents or the large for 50 cents by Ely Brothers, 50 Warren street, New York. Druggists keep it. Upon being placed into the nostrils it spreads over the membrane and relief is immediate. It is an agreeable cure.

Capt. Capps' Successor.

Springfield News: Adjutant General Reece today issued an order confirming the appointment of George G. German as quartermaster of the 5th Infantry Illinois National Guard, to rank as captain. German succeeds W. Leo Capps now en route to Manila.

Bethesda Mineral Spring Water.

This water is indicated in the treatment of all diseases of the Kidneys or bladder, in Gout, Rheumatism, or Liver Complaint. It relieves Constipation, Headache, Nervous Prostration, induces sleep and is invaluable in cases of Nervous Dyspepsia, or Insomnia. Bethesda has cured thousands. Write for booklet giving partial list of cures. A. H. Jones, President, Bethesda Mineral Spring Co., Waukegan, Wis.

Episcopal Deaneries.

The clergymen of the Episcopal deaneries of Jacksonville and Bloomington will meet in Decatur Tuesday and Wednesday, May 30 and 31. The purpose of the meeting is for consultation in regard to their work. About a dozen ministers will be present. Bishop Seymour will be present and possibly Bishop Halo will be in attendance.

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters,' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks and am now a well man. I know they saved my life and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents per bottle at J. B. King's and C. F. Shilling's Drug Stores.

Short Strike.

The strike of the drivers in the coal mines in the Springfield subdistrict is at an end, and on Tuesday morning all returned to work. The drivers were getting \$1.75 a day, but demanded \$2. The operators would not grant them the demand and the mines were idle for over a week. The strike was not sanctioned by the miners' organization and after a conference with the officers of the state organization the drivers decided to return to work at the old scale.

Whooping Cough.

I had a little boy who was nearly dead from an attack of whooping cough. My neighbors recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I did not think that any medicine would help him, but after giving him a few doses of that remedy I noticed an improvement, and one bottle cured him entirely. It is the best cough medicine I ever had in the house.—J. L. Moore, South Burgettstown, Pa., for sale by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

Decatur Party Home.

The Decatur people who went to Atlanta, Ga., to attend the Sunday school convention, arrived home yesterday afternoon. The party included A. H. Mills, P. P. Laughlin and daughter, Mrs. Alice Wells, Miss Carrie Powers, and also Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Owens of Stoughton. William McBarney and two daughters came back as far as Cairo and from there went to Crowley, La. On Saturday A. H. Mills read a paper before the convention.

Does Coffee Agree With You?

If not, drink Grain-O—made from pure grains. A lady writes: "The first time I made Grain-O I did not like it, but after using it for one week nothing would induce me to go back to coffee." It nourishes and feeds the system. The children can drink it freely with great benefit. It is the strengthening substance of pure grains. Get a packet today from your grocer. Follow the directions in making it and you will have a delicious and healthful table beverage for all ages. 10c and 50c.

COAL INDUSTRY

In Macon County Is a Big Business.

OVER 300,000 TONS OF COAL

Was Taken from the Three Mines and the Amount Received was \$289,751—Employment Given to Many.

The 17th annual report of the state bureau of labor statistics concerning the coal business in Illinois has just been published and contains some interesting figures in regard to the coal product in Macon county.

In Macon county during the year 1898 390,264 tons of coal were mined. Of this amount 204,875 tons were shipped, 68,463 tons were used in the city and 738 tons were consumed at the mines or wasted. Of the coal shipped the different railroads transported the following amounts: Wabash 118,810, Illinois Central 65,065 tons, I. D. and W. 21,000 tons. In the county there are but the three mines, No. 1 and No. 2 in Decatur and the Niantic mine, all of which are owned by the Decatur Coal Co. Of the total output for 1898 99,462 tons was mined, from No. 1, 111,602 tons from mine No. 2 and 89,200 from the Niantic mine, making the total of 300,264, of which amount 230,887 tons was lump coal, while the balance was other grades. The average received for the lump coal per ton at the mines in Decatur was \$1.20 per ton, while at Niantic it was 78 cents. The total amount of money received by the company for coal in Macon county during the year of 1898 was \$289,751.

The number of miners employed was 210 in Decatur and 72 in Niantic, making a total of 282; the number of other employees under ground in the three mines was 43, and the number of employees above ground was 19, making a total of 344 men employed at the three mines. In Decatur the mines were in active operation 308 days and at Niantic 225 days. In the three mines there were 11 accidents to employees, none of which were fatal. The capacity of each of the Decatur mines is given as 150,000 tons, while that of the Niantic mine is given as 120,000 tons, making a total capacity in the county of 420,000 tons per year. In the district 19 men were killed, but none of these fatalities occurred in Macon county.

The average price paid for hand mining per gross ton in Decatur was 50 cents and in Niantic 40 cents, making an average in the county of 46.6 cents, which is above the average for the district, which is but 43.67 cents. Up until this time all the mining was done by hand in Macon county but now the Decatur Coal Co. is preparing to put in machines for mining the coal at Niantic. These machines will greatly lessen the amount of labor. In the Decatur mines, however, it is not likely that the machines will ever be used as the veins of coal are four inches in thickness and the machines are not practical in mines where the veins are less than five inches in thickness.

All wool ingrain carpet 45c per yard at Ecovill's.—4-29-dtf

THE OAKLAND SEWER.

The Pipe Work Has Been Finished and Flush Work Will be Put In.

A. F. Gebhart has completed the pipe work on the Oakland avenue sewer. The flush tanks are yet to be put in and this work will probably be done in a short time. When the council committees are appointed the sewer will be inspected and the flush tanks will be tested.

The flush tanks are a new thing in Decatur sewers. Each is a large cistern holding 200 gallons of water. They are arranged so that either once in 24 hours or once a week, according to the way they are set, the entire amount of water will be emptied into the sewer in 15 seconds time so that the sewer pipes are well cleaned out. There are three of these tanks, one located on Crea street at the lateral in the alley between Forest avenue and Decatur streets, another is back from Crea street in the alley between Wood and Macon streets and the third is in the alley between Macon and Wood streets.

Cork insulation used only in North Star Refrigerators.—4-29-dtf

For an Illinois Society.

A call has been issued for a meeting to be held at the University of Illinois in Champaign on Friday, May 19, at 3 p. m., to discuss a plan for the organization of an Illinois Historical society. The call is signed by 15 citizens of the state who have taken a deep interest in preserving the historical records of the commonwealth or particular sections. The subject of "State History in the High Schools" will be led by Prof. E. J. James, of the University of Chicago. The idea is a good one and it is believed that the meeting will be of permanent value.

List of Patents

Granted to Illinois inventors this week Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., patent attorneys, Washington, D. C.: J. Bender, Dresser, automatic tied

motor; R. C. Buckley, Peoria, combined cultivator and seeder; T. Gaunt, Peoria, filtering oil; E. C. Gipe, Freeport, cash and package carrier; W. S. Grange, Malta, desk or cabinet drawer; D. Hafnagel, Milo, stock waterer; A. Lindgren, Molina, plowshare; H. Maeller, Decatur, drill for tapping pipes; J. E. Mullins, East St. Louis, scrubbing brush holder; S. Rankin, Strasburg, haling press; M. Sattley, Springfield, cultivator; E. F. Shellabarger, DeKalb, machine for making wire fabric; J. H. Snyder, Canton, cigar packer; J. V. Steger, Steger, harp attachment for pianos; S. A. Stienbarger, Augusta, hat fastener; C. L. Weiha, New Minden, rotary engine. For copy of any of the above patents send 10c in postage stamps with date of this paper to C. A. Snow & Co., Washington, D. C.

A LAST LETTER

Written by Ex-Gov. Oglesby Less Than 30 Days Before Death.

Less than 30 days before the death of ex-Governor Oglesby he wrote a letter to his old friend William H. Platt, living at Monticello, Piatt county, probably one of the last letters he ever wrote. They had been personal friends for 60 years. Mr. B. F. Harris, Sr., of Champaign, now 85 years old, was a friend of both Oglesby and Platt, and was especially intimate with the former since some time prior to the Oglesby-Robinson congressional race in 1853. A copy of the letter has been sent to Mr. Harris and reads as follows:

"Elkhart, Ill., March 21, 1899.—Wm. H. Platt, My Old Dear Friend: I hear from you occasionally through your daughters or friends, and know you are still alive. This is very pleasant—there are so few of us old fellows left. It is always pleasant to know there are enough of us left to make the world respectable, and to make it desirable to live in. We, of course, have had our day and time, and in the regular course of nature we have to give way to the big procession following on behind us. I can not understand why, when the Lord has a good set of old fellows, he don't let them alone, and let them live as long as they may care to. You and I and old Jasper Peddycord are still left. It would be hard to find three better specimens. I am now 75, you and Peddycord must be 83 or 84 years old. We used to be pretty well off; I suppose now we are all poor; I know I am. The world does not care much for old people, especially if they be also poor. Well, I suppose we can stand it. One thing is certain—we will not stand it very long. While I feel I am now very little account, still I am in no hurry to die. There is not in death very much to be afraid of. It winds a fellow up; that is about all there is to it. If a man were like a watch, would run again after he is wound up it would be all right, and he would keep good time as long as he could keep clicking and ticking. "You, of course, have noticed times are not like they were 50 or 70 years ago, when you were a young, useful, hard-working man. "I have not been well for three years; am not well now. I stay at home on the farm nearly all the time. I do not care to go anywhere. I am not sick so much as I am weak. "You doubtless take an interest in things generally and like to know how things are going on. And I suppose you feel at times that things are not going right. Well, that may be so, but we are too old to change them very much, so I just let them run. We kept things in pretty good order for 50 years; we have done our part; now let the world take care of itself. I reckon it will bury us decently before long, put a little stone over us, and then say: 'Good-by, boys, we will think of you for a little while and feel sorry you are gone, but from this time on you must take care of yourself; we have other fish to fry.' "When you see your daughter Emma, at La Grange, tell her I read her letter and thank her for it, and if I were not so old and lazy I would write to her. "I do not know who there is left in Monticello that I can send respects to; if I were there I doubtless would meet a few I would know and be glad to see. If you are able to write me a few lines, do so, and let me learn you have received my letter. "We are not likely to see each other again. If not, it is a great pleasure to know we part once, and possibly forever, as good friends. I have always considered it a pleasure to have known you, and it is with sadness I now bid you an affectionate farewell. Your good friend,

"R. J. OGLESBY."

Any child can operate an Insurance Gasoline stove.—4-29-dtf

Commencement Exercises.

The commencement exercises at the Macon High school will be held this evening. There is quite a large graduating class and an interesting program will be given.

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MORNING WEDDING

Paul Kastner and Miss Frank Wed at St. James

BRAMBLE-BIVANS MARRIAGE

Occurred This Morning at the Bride's Home in Decatur—Wedding of John Bauer and Clara Kaiser.

The marriage of Paul Kastner and Miss Elizabeth Frank occurred this morning at 8:30 o'clock at St. James German Catholic church, the rectory, Rev. Father Tepps officiating. The wedding was a pretty one and was largely attended, the church being crowded.

Nuptial high mass was celebrated by the priest and the ceremony was long and impressive one. The church choir sang the mass and the pretty little church was tastefully decorated, lilies and similar being used with skill to adorn the altar. The attendants were Miss Selma Kastner, a sister of the groom, and George Zwilling. The bride was elegantly attired in a gown of white French organdie trimmed with lace and white satin ribbon. She wore a bridal veil and carried a big bouquet of bride's roses. The bridesmaid, Miss Kastner, was gowned in a white organdie over blue silk and carried pink roses.

At the conclusion of the ceremony at the church an elaborate wedding breakfast was served to the bride party and immediate relatives at the home of the bride's father, John Frank, 303 South Water street. At the same place this evening there will be a reception to which a large number have been invited. The breakfast table was decorated with roses and similar.

BRAMBLE-BIVANS.

A very simple but pretty home wedding was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bivans this morning at 9 o'clock, when their daughter, Miss Mary Belle Bivans and Byron E. Bramble were united in marriage. The ceremony was performed in the presence of the family and a very few invited guests by Dr. W. H. Penhalligon of the First Presbyterian church. A wedding breakfast at which covers were laid for 15 followed.

The couple left at noon for a week's visit in Chicago. On their return they will take rooms and board with Mrs. Lobough of East Eldorado street. The bride wore a traveling gown of Castor broadcloth. The rooms were decorated with wild flowers. The groom is employed at the Decatur Gas and Electric company.

BAUER-KAISER.

Nuptial rites were celebrated for Miss Clara Kaiser and J. G. Bauer at St. Paul's Lutheran church last evening at 8 o'clock. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Wagner in the presence of a large gathering of friends and relatives. The attendants were Miss Sophia Vabauer, Miss Donna Canup, Fred Bickler and Louis Bastob. The ushers were Will Kosciak and Will Wildinger. Professor Yuenger played the wedding march. Following the ceremony the bride party were driven to their newly furnished home at 623 East Harker street, where they received their friends and served a supper at 11 o'clock.

The groom is a cigarmaker employed by Frank Pabmeyer.

RUDE-ASHBY.

Miss Elsie Ashby of Charleston and Charles A. Rude of Decatur will be married at Charleston on Sunday, May 7. They will reside in Decatur.

The White Separator is used only at the Insurance Gasoline stove. See vill Co., sole agents.—4-29-dtf

Boy Arrested.

Elijah Jackson, a colored boy was arrested last night and is in the city prison. He was throwing stones at the A. M. E. church and today a warrant was sworn out against him.

Formed a Partnership.

Attorneys T. B. Jack and J. L. Deck have formed a partnership for the practice of law. They will have their offices on North Water street over the tea store. S. S. Jack will have his office with the firm.

TWENTY-SEVENTH Y

CHASING THE BATTLES

Gen. Wheaton in the Men Today

Gen. Lawton Sweeping Rebels Into the Town

NEW YORK, May 4.—The Herald's special says: After a severe engagement Gen. Wheaton's brigade entered Santo Tomas this morning, the insurgents fighting desperately. The Americans found Santo Tomas burning.

The Situation.

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General MacArthur's column continued and took up the advance on San Fernando at 6:30 this morning. He did not apprehend sharp resistance on the part of the enemy, who will probably leave the railroad and retire northwesterly direct to the north of General Lawton. The destruction of the railroad near Calumpit necessitates a reliance on the wagon transportation.

"The enemy to the south and east of Manila, 9000, is opposed by a sufficient force under Generals O'Connell and Hall; his demoralization has far have been properly met by these officers with slight losses. Many other requests have come from outlying cities for protection against the insurgent troops."

Wheaton in the Saddle.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—General Lawton's column is following the rebels. The situation is as follows: General Lawton holds Baling captured on the 2d inst., after a rapid march from August, where he was engaged with a wagon train, pack animals and rations. He scattered the enemy's entrenched enemy to the north and northward, capturing a large amount of food supplies, and his detachments to the north and eastward. His successful movement was attended with great difficulty, because of the character of the country, rugged and beat. He now covers the enemy's communication and will be supplied from Malolos.

General MacArthur's column continued and took up the advance on San Fernando at 6:30 this morning. He did not apprehend sharp resistance on the part of the enemy, who will probably leave the railroad and retire northwesterly direct to the north of General Lawton. The destruction of the railroad near Calumpit necessitates a reliance on the wagon transportation.

Story of the Battles.

MANILA, May 4, 6 P. M.—General MacArthur carried San Tomas after a strong resistance. General Hale moved on the enemy's right. General Wheaton attacked the left. A daring charge in which General Funston again distinguished himself. He was wounded in the hand and several other officers and enlisted men were also wounded. Colonel Sumner, with a part of the Oregon and Minnesota and one gun of the Utah battery, took Moasin on the right, resting four miles from San Fernando. The Filipinos are retreating toward San Isidro and it is expected they will be captured.

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